GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Forest Department- Disciplinary action against Sri A.Dhanpal, DRO(Expired),Chittoor East (WL) Division, Chittoor – Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Inquiry conducted – Findings received – Expired on 02.01.2011– Further action abated – Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 24 Dated: 01-03-2016.
Read the following:

From the PCCF, Lr. Ref. No. 18462/2005/Vig-4, dt. 31.10.2015.

ORDER:

In the reference read above, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has informed that an Article of Charge was issued against Sri. A. Dhanpal Dy. Range Officer, Chittoor East (Wildlife) Division, Chittoor vide CCF, Anatapur Rc.No.2891/2007/M2, dt. 04.09.2008 cited on the following count:-

Article-I: "That the said Sri A.Dhanpal, Deputy Range Officer while functioning as Forest Section Officer, Talapula Section of Bhakarapet Range has neglected his duty in executing the following works"

Basis of Charge: **(i)** The advance works carried out under TM5-5 Ha. And TM6-5 Ha. In Gatavaripalli VSS are not evident. After spending substantial amounts they have not taken up any planting and also 3000 seedlings transported to the site for planting purpose are found dead under a tree. No care was taken to keep the plants for planting. Thus the total expenditure became waste.

(ii) In (12) number of works as listed in Annexure-IV, it is found that there is an excess expenditure to the tune of Rs.57,662/- for which he is responsible. Hence the charge.

Article-II: "while functioning in the aforesaid office, Sri A.Dhanpal, the then Forest Section Officer, Talapulla Section of Bhakarapet range has allowed in fructuous expenditure to tune of Rs.17,588/-''

2. The Charged Officer acknowledged Article of Charge on 7.11.2008 and submitted his explanation. Not satisfied with the explanation of the Charged Officer, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests appointed the Chief Conservator of Forests, (Wildlife Management) Tirupathi as Inquiry Officer and the Divisional Forest Officer, Wildlife Chittoor(E) Division as presenting officer vide PCCF Proc. No. 18462/2005/PXA-2(i&ii) dt. 29.04.2009(IO&PO) for conducting regular enquiry.

3. The PCCF has informed that, the Inquiry Officer conducted the enquiry and submitted his findings vide CCF WLM TPT Rc. No. 7693/2004/M4 dt. 10.12.2012. The findings were communicated to the Charged Officer, through final notice vide PCCF Ref. No. 18462/2005/Vig-4, dt. 31.08.2015. The Inquiry Officer in his findings, on the basis of documentary evidence and oral evidence adduced in the case before the Inquiry Officer, concluded that the charge-I levelled charged officer is proved and Charge-II is not proved.

4. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests has informed that the Charged Officer expired on 02.01.2011 and as per the report of Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (East) received through Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife Management circle, Tirupathi, entire amount of Rs.46,130/- being the share of Dy. Range Officer relating to charge-I (80% of Rs 57662/-) has been remitted and hence there is no loss to the Government.

5. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has proposed to abate further disciplinary action against the Charged Officer Sri A. Dhanpal, DRO, as he expired on 02.01.2011.

6. The matter has been examined by the Government in the light of the sub-rule (7) (a) of rule 9 of the A. P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as mentioned in G.O.Ms.No.85, Fin&Plg. (FW.Pen-I) Dept., dt 12.7.1999 and under the provisions of G.O.Ms.No.995 Finance (Pen.I) Dept dt 21.12.2002.

7. After careful examination of the matter, the Government here by order to abate further action against the deceased Government servant Sri A. Dhanpal, DRO,(Expired),Chittoor East (WL) Division, Chittoor in this case as the entire amount of Rs.46,130/- being the share of Sri A. Dhanpal, DRO(Expired) was already remitted and there is no loss to the Government.

8. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is directed to take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASHWINI KUMAR PARIDA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad.
Legal heirs of late Sri A. Dhanpal, DRO (Expired)
(through Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests.)
Copy to:The Accountant General, A.P. Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER